

wherein CPP is not a native HBV surface protein.

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2. (Amended) The polypeptide mediating cell permeability (CPP) according to claim 1, wherein CPP comprises the amino acid sequence of figure 1 or an amino acid sequence differing therefrom by one or more amino acids and is not a native HBV surface protein and wherein the DNA sequence of the latter amino acid sequence hybridizes with the DNA of figure 1.

3. (Amended) A nucleic acid, coding for CPP according to claim 1.

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6. (Amended) An expression plasmid, comprising the nucleic acid according to claim 3.

9. (Amended) An antibody directed against CPP according to claim 1.

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10. (Amended) A method for mediating cell permeability to substances comprising using the CCP according to claim 1.

11. (Amended) The method according to claim 10, wherein the substances comprise polypeptides, nucleic acids and chemical compounds.